



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Purchase of Five Police Patrol Vehicles (\$127,810)

MEETING DATE: January 15, 1997

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the purchase of five police patrol sedans and service manuals under the State of California Office of Procurement Contract for 1997 Model CHP Class E Special Service Vehicles from Downtown Ford of Sacramento, for a total of \$120,313.92; authorize \$7,500.00 to equip the five vehicles for service; and appropriate funds in accordance with the recommendation shown below.

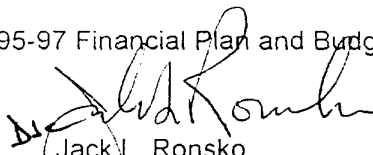
**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Six police patrol sedans were included in the 1996/97 budget (Exhibit A). One of these six (Unit 05-013) was replaced in October 1996 after it sustained significant damage when struck by a drunk driver. The patrol sedan we use is the Ford Crown Victoria four-door sedan, CHP Special Service Vehicle.

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the ordering of five 1997 Ford Crown Victoria sedans through the State of California Office of Procurement. We are also asking for authorization of \$1,500.00 per car for labor to remove and reinstall existing emergency equipment (i.e., back seat, protective screen, light bar, siren, shotgun rack, radio rack, push bumper, two-way radio, etc.), and \$546.29 for service and parts manuals. Finally, authorization is requested to either dispose of the old, used police cars and unusable emergency equipment through Roger Ernst and Associates (auctioneers), of Modesto, or sealed bid auction, or to consider reassignment of these units to other lighter-duty use. If any of these are reassigned, the vehicles they replace will be removed from service. Funds received from the sale of these vehicles should be deposited into the Equipment Replacement Fund.

<b>SUMMARY:</b>	State of California (five cars)	\$ 119,767.63
	Emergency Equipment Installation	7,500.00
	Parts/Service Manuals	546.29

**GRAND TOTAL**                      **\$ 127,813.92**

**FUNDING:** Equipment Fund - refer to 1995-97 Financial Plan and Budget, Page E-5 (Exhibit B)

  
Jack L. Ronsko  
Public Works Director

Prepared by Dennis J. Callahan, Building and Equipment Maintenance Superintendent

Attachments

cc: City Attorney  
Purchasing Officer  
Police Chief  
Building and Equipment Maintenance Superintendent

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_



H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

**1995-97 Financial Plan and Budget  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET REQUEST**

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**ACTIVITY:** Equipment Maintenance  
**REQUEST TITLE:** Purchase of Police Patrol Sedans

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**Project Description**

Purchase four police patrol sedans in 1995/96 and three more in 1996/97 as replacement vehicles for cars that will meet their retirement schedule of four years or 96,000 miles during the next two years, and obtain emergency equipment and accessories to fully equip these police patrol sedans for duty. Additionally, we need two more patrol units in the 1995/96 budget to accommodate the change to a 12-hour shift.

**Project Objectives**

1. Ensure that the Police Department is provided with safe, current, and effective pursuit patrol vehicles for their daily support needs.
2. Ensure that quantities of pursuit patrol vehicles are adequate for staffing levels, providing for out-of-service and emergency replacement situations.

**Existing Situation**

Sixteen police patrol sedans were approved in 1990/91, 1991/92, 1992/93, 1993/94 and 1994/95 to replace existing vehicles. Four more are needed in the 1995/96 fiscal year to meet the current replacement schedule of existing Dodge Diplomats, which are no longer manufactured.

The replacement patrol car is the Ford Crown Victoria four-door sedan at a current cost of \$20,575 per car. Due to changing the make and model, there are additional costs to modify and equip the vehicles for service; i.e., back seat, protective screen, shotgun rack, radio rack, push bumper, etc. Emergency equipment, purchased and installed, now costs \$4,170 per car.

Because the current patrol cars will reach their designated retirement mileage of 96,000 miles by the time these Crown Victorias can be ordered, received, and readied for service, and because the availability of police patrol vehicles is limited to a very short order period, these sedans must be approved in 1995/96.

In 1995/96, four of the five Crown Victorias that were purchased in 1990/91 and 1991/92 will reach their designated retirement mileage and/or age and will need to be replaced. Our hope is that the design of the car will not change significantly so that the emergency equipment in the current vehicles can be reused again. Planning on this limits the cost of emergency equipment and accessories to installation expenses only of approximately \$1,500 per car.

Due to implementation of the 12-hour patrol schedule, it is necessary to add two more patrol units to the Police marked-unit fleet. This new schedule adds additional officers on patrol who, along with the current number of motorcycle/bicycle officers, must be deployed effectively. Two additional, fully-equipped patrol cars, including radios at \$3,420 each, must be provided in the 1995/96 budget year.

**Project Work Completed**

The Police Department and the Public Works Equipment Maintenance Division came together several years ago to form the Police Vehicle Committee, a group comprised of representatives from both departments, to evaluate vehicles available to replace the Dodge Diplomat, which was no longer being manufactured. The group's recommendation, which has been approved by Council five times in the last five years, is to standardize the police patrol fleet with Ford Crown Victorias.

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Schedule and Project Costs

	Prior Budgets	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	Project Total
Phasing						
Study						
Design						
Acquisition		\$151,860	\$81,660			\$233,520
Construction						
Total		\$151,860	\$81,660			\$233,520

Recommended Funding Sources

Equipment Replacement Fund	\$151,860	\$81,660	\$233,520
Total	\$151,860	\$81,660	\$233,520

Cost Detail

REPLACEMENT CARS:

(1) Crown Victoria sedan	\$ 20,575	\$20,575
Emergency equipment	1,500	4,170
Each car (including tax)	\$ 22,075	\$24,745
	x 4	x 3
Subtotal	\$88,300	\$74,235

ADDITIONAL CARS:

(1) Crown Victoria sedan	\$ 20,575
Emergency equipment	4,170
Two-way radio	3,420
Each car (including tax)	\$ 28,165
	x 2
Subtotal	\$ 56,330

TOTAL \$ 144,630

plus 5% inflation	7,230
plus 10% inflation	7,425

GRAND TOTAL \$151,860 \$81,660

Alternatives

1. Do not replace police patrol sedans on the current schedule. This alternative would not eliminate the need, only delay and consequently compound the amount of purchase dollars needed. Additionally, it would require the Police Department to use older, higher mileage vehicles that could be suspect of their ability to perform under emergency conditions. Because of being older, they would also be technically further behind, and possibly not as safe. Savings in purchase costs would be partly offset by greater mechanical repair and maintenance costs, and increased fuel use cost would be likely.

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2. **Require the Police Department to use alternative modes of transportation or downsize their patrol staff who require full-size patrol sedans.** This alternative would require less officers at a time when most communities are adding public safety personnel.
3. **Change police patrol sedan selection to a less-expensive model.** This alternative has been considered. The Crown Victoria (full-size) patrol car is the car favored by the Lodi Police Department and the Public Works Equipment Maintenance Division because of the number of units presently in service. Performance, size, safety features, familiarity and serviceability are proven; choosing a different make and model now , with the multiple benefits to be realized by the "standardization" of the patrol fleet , would be ill advised.

**Project Effect on Operating Budget**

The current police patrol fleet consists of eighteen cars. Maintaining these units requires that monies for fuel, car wash, maintenance and repairs be annually budgeted.

## 1995 - 97 FINANCIAL PLAN AND BUDGET

## SUMMARY OF CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

	1995-96		1996-97		Fund
	Number	Cost	Number	Cost	
<b>Public Safety</b>					
Police Protection					
Police Operations					
Dispatch Recorder		30,700			12
Message Repeater		13,300			12
Motorcycle	1	8,400	1	8,400	12
Police Investigations					
Patrol Sedans	3	81,660	6	151,860	12
Undercover Vehicles	1	23,000			12
Radios		21,400		21,400	12
Street Crime Unit Equipment *		55,000		55,000	12
Fire Safety					
Fire Administration					
Fire Engine	1	225,000			12B
Emergency Response Vehicle			1	40,000	12
Support Vehicle			1	150,000	12B
Emergency Sedans			3	78,000	12
Special Services					
HazMat Equipment				25,000	12
Technical Rescue Equipment		15,000			12
<b>Total Public Safety</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$ 473,460</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>\$ 529,660</b>	
<b>Public Utilities</b>					
Electric Utility Service					
Capital Maintenance Projects		\$ 898,845		\$ 982,675	16
Water/Wastewater Utility Services					
Water/Wastewater					
Water/Wastewater Capital Maintenance		1,339,742		961,894	17&18
Sedan	1	16,200			17
Pickup	1	23,570			17
Backhoe	1	66,050			17&18
<b>Total Public Utilities</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>\$ 2,344,407</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$ 1,944,569</b>	

RESOLUTION NO. 97-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIVE POLICE PATROL SEDANS UNDER THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT CONTRACT FROM DOWNTOWN FORD OF SACRAMENTO, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS TO EQUIP THE FIVE VEHICLES FOR SERVICE FOR THE LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code, §3.20.070, authorizes dispensing with bids for purchases of supplies, services or equipment when it is in the best interests of the City to do so; and

WHEREAS, six police patrol sedans were included in the 1996/97 budget; and

WHEREAS, the patrol sedan that we now use is the Ford Crown Victoria four-door sedan, CHP special service vehicle; and

WHEREAS, it is staff recommendation that we place an order under the State of California Office of Procurement Contract for five 1997 Ford Crown Victoria Sedans, Model CHP Class E Special Service Vehicles from Downtown Ford of Sacramento for a total of \$120,313.92; and

WHEREAS, staff also recommends authorization to contract for labor to remove and reinstall existing emergency equipment, i.e. back seat, protective screen, light bar, siren, shotgun rack, radio rack, push bumper, two-way radio, etc., at the approximate cost of \$1,500.00 per vehicle; and

WHEREAS, staff further recommends authorization to either dispose of the old, used police vehicles and unusable emergency equipment through Roger Ernst and Associates (auctioneers) of Modesto, or sealed bid auction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby authorize staff to place an order under the State of California, Office of Procurement for the purchase of five 1997 Ford Crown Victoria Sedans at a cost of \$120,313.92; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes staff to contract for labor to remove and reinstall existing emergency equipment at an approximate cost of \$1,500.00 per vehicle; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes staff to purchase service and parts manuals at a cost of \$546.29.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff is hereby authorized to dispose of the old, used police vehicles and unusable emergency equipment through Roger Ernst and Associates of Modesto or through sealed bid auction, or consider reassignment of these units to lighter-duty use. Any funds received from the sale of these vehicles should be deposited into the Equipment Replacement Fund.

Dated: January 15, 1997

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 97-03, which was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held January 15, 1997 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members -

NOES: Council Members -

ABSENT: Council Members -

ABSTAIN: Council Members -

JENNIFER M. PERRIN  
City Clerk